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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 2ND, 1906.

The intervention of more immediately stirring questions seems to have prevented any very full discussion in the home papers of the renewed treaty between Great Britain and Japan. At the time of its public announcement, a general approval of the measure was expressed, but very little critical comment was forthcoming, and there was a general tendency to take very much for granted that the measure was one which in all likelihood proved advantageous, and that the decision of the responsible authorities at the Foreign Office might be accepted as correct without going very minutely into the pros and cons of the subject. It is not surprising that this ready acceptance of a measure of far reaching importance should have appeared to some reflecting persons open to question; and one writer in an article which appeared in the *Contemporary* over the signature of "Pro Patria" raised a warning voice against what appeared to him to be a too ready acquiescence in a step which might be fraught with very serious consequences.

The writer in question sees in the Treaty with Japan a distinct evidence of the decadence of Great Britain. We have heard so much of the decadence of the Empire that few people are inclined to attach very much importance to this cry. At the same time it must be admitted that some plausible reasons are set forth, and amongst them is the idea that this decadence has undoubtedly been reached when Great Britain has to admit that she looks

to the assistance of another nation in the event of certain contingencies arising. This, however, does not imply that she is absolutely dependent upon such aid, and the writer also ignores the circumstances which have quite naturally led up to such a junction of interests between Japan and Great Britain as plainly suggested common action if necessary for their maintenance. A combination of this kind is indeed the logical outcome of the policy pursued by Russia, and more or less backed up by some other Powers, for years past, and which culminated in the recent war with Japan. No one can doubt that the design of Russia was to cripple British influence and power in Asia generally, beginning with obtaining a strong position in the Far East by putting down Japanese opposition and then concentrating her energies in the direction of India. Had Russia succeeded in humiliating Japan, she would have gained the first step towards this end. She would have been able to force Japan to acquiesce in her aggressive measures in the direction of China, and by this means would have inflicted a lasting blow on British influence in these parts. This would, of course, be her opportunity of interference in India. The interests of Japan and England were thus made one by the openly avowed policy of a common opponent, and that these two nations should combine to protect their interests by a treaty for mutual support was the natural outcome of this state of affairs. It might be said that the result of the recent war put an end to this position, and that a renewal of the Treaty was therefore unnecessary, or that at least it was not desirable that the treaty should be extended to one for general mutual protection, and providing for the co-operation of Japan, if necessary, should India be threatened. But those acquainted with the persistency of Russian policy could hardly take so sanguine a view. Deploable as the condition of Russia is at the present moment, the time may not be far distant when existing difficulties will be overcome; when there is the possibility of the old tactics being again resorted to. If the course which originally brought about the treaty between England and Japan were absolutely at an end, the agreement which has now been made might be considered as superfluous, and as one involving needless responsibility, but that time has not arrived. Certainly there was no sign of it when the treaty was renewed and when the internal affairs of Russia were by no means so critical as they have subsequently appeared. An alliance for mutual protection was therefore the only safe course to adopt; and it is absurd to argue that such an agreement should be entirely one-sided—that is, that England should be bound to assist Japan should the latter be threatened, and no corresponding obligation be upon Japan to assist us, should danger appear in our direction—that is, the direction of India. As to this being a sign of decadence, the same might be said with regard to any alliance or defensive treaty between any Powers whatever, with regard, for example, to the understandings between Germany or France with Russia. No one would argue that these understandings were a sign of decadence on the part of either of these two nations. Why, therefore, should a similar understanding between England and Japan be so regarded? The writer of the article in the *Contemporary* gives his reasons for so doing very frankly. He says it is doubtful "whether England will profit commercially by the alliance;" and that "the trade plums will really fall to Japan and America," and he goes on to say: "But we are to get our *quid pro quo* from Japan is to help us to fight our battles for India. That arrangement is a pitiable object lesson for our 800 millions of Indian fellow subjects, not to speak of the rest of humanity. There are in that part of the British Empire many millions of faithful warrior races, Pathans, Sikhs and Goorkhas. These, surely, if properly handled, could repel any disturber or invader of India. This may or may not be true. But the whole policy of Russia as shown by what she did before the war would be to advance in both directions at the same time—to get up trouble in the Far East and make use of the occasion for pushing towards India—and against such a policy it is surely wise to be strengthened at all points. In his concluding summary, the writer says:—

There are among my countrymen men of position, of world-wide experience, who view with distrust and real alarm this extended engagement entered into between England and Japan. It marks, they think, the timorous path of the decadence of the Empire. What could have been more foolish than to have formed an alliance with so remote a nation, one still further separated from us by race, traditions, customs,

morals and social conditions? When the glamour from the Japanese successes in the late war fades, we may find that our position is a case for prayer rather than for hope, that all may go well with this our wondrous alliance.

It is not very difficult to see at what point the above writer feels most strongly with regard to the alliance. It is mainly that Japan is a remote country and an Asiatic nation. That she is remote is precisely the reason for an alliance with her. Her remoteness from Europe is caused by her being close to the very sphere of danger; and it is just because she is remote from Europe and near the scene of danger that she must always be of first importance in regard to any Far Eastern question that may arise. "As to her being separated by 'race traditions, customs and morals,' she is certainly not more separated in this way than Russia is; but the real point is that she is united to us in her political interests, and will be ready to co-operate with us if the common rights of the two countries be materially threatened. If we were without sufficient facts to guide us, such objections as are raised might appear of some weight; but we have ample proof that Japan can be relied upon to adhere to her part of the engagement, from the manner in which she has acted in the past; and even if we had not this assurance, there is the manifest fact that Japan is almost as much concerned as ourselves in anything which might tend seriously to detract from our position in India, as this would at once materially affect our influence in the Far East and in Asia generally. The alliance is thus not a declaration on the part of Britain of a fear lest she would not be able to hold her own with respect to India without allies—though even if it were it need not indicate the decadence of the Empire—but only a reasonable precautionary measure to avoid the recurrence of the disturbing state of affairs, which has at least for the time being been put an end to by the results of the Russo-Japanese war.

Two fatalities from plague were announced yesterday.

The German mail of the 31st January was delivered in London on the 28th February.

Mr. Wei On has presented over 100 books to the library of the Chinese Department of the Y. M. C. A.

The population of Saigon, according to the latest municipal statistics, is 18,783, of whom 2,774 are Europeans.

The recent conference of Methodists at Manila has admitted a Chinaman named Ben G. Pay as a preacher on trial.

"A body blow struck now at gambling," is the picturesque way in which the *Cablenews* refers to the new Act for the better government of Manila.

Seventy-five members of the British House of Commons had by the 12th ult. pledged their support to Lord Roberts' Army reform scheme.

An Indian contemporary understands that the Chinese Government are appointing Consuls of their own at Calcutta, Madras and Bombay. This is an entirely new departure.

Mr. James Beuzerville, the winner of the 1906 cup, has presented a handsome trophy to be competed for in a billiard handicap at the Chinese Department of the Y. M. C. A.

The General Officer Commanding, Major General Villiers Hutton, will make his annual inspection of the Indian Regiments as follows:—119th Infantry, 5th instant; 125th Baluchis, 7th instant.

A British rubber venture has been established at Batavia. It goes under the style of the "Anglo-Java Rubber Company," with a capital of 300,000 guilders. Mr. R. N. Bingley is head director, and Mr. W. O. Burt is managing director.

The Committee of Appropriations at Washington on the 13th ult., refused a supplementary credit for barracks in Manila, Mr. Taft admitting that it was not intended to send troops until it was evident that Americans in China needed protection.

Japanese papers report that certain foreign firms in Japan, which have previously bought Japanese loan bonds, have cabled to their principals abroad in connection with the new domestic loan. One large firm is said to contemplate subscribing to the new loan to the amount of 20 or 30 million yen.

In speaking incidentally of the Chinese pigtail at the Royal Institution, Professor Barker said very few people knew that it was worn by the Turkish and Tartar nations many hundreds of years ago. He quoted from some inscriptions 2,000 years old, in which it was stated "The Turks let down their pig-tails when they came before their generals."

In Foochow a plan is on foot among the leading merchants, headed by Mr. Jike Lin, to establish a bank. Mr. Kwok Chun-lin, his younger brother, is a millionaire merchant in Formosa, where most of the Lin family property is. It is expected that the bank will adopt the name of the Japan and China Bank, and will serve as a circulating medium between Southern China and Formosa.—*Industrial Review*.

The *Japan Gazette* signals the Royal visit by enlarging its issue of 19th February to twice its usual size and having coloured flags crossed on its front page (as in imitation of its Port Arthur edition) over two photographs of H.R.H.

There will doubtless be many sympathisers in Hongkong with the Japanese in Chemulpo who are agitating for a reduction of rents. The principal landlords are Germans and Chinese, whose tendency is to increase rather than decrease the rents, and in consequence the Japanese small traders are in a bad way.

It is again stated by Japanese papers that Marquis Oyama, Superintendent of the General Staff Office, will shortly resign, and that he will be succeeded by General Kodama. In that event, it is believed that either General Onuma, Commander of Kwantung, or General Oku will be appointed Governor of Formosa in the place of General Kodama.

In advocating the abolition of the two classes on the street cars of Manila the *Cablenews* says: "The alleged demand for two classes is but the patrician abem of the chap at home who counted for little, and who in these far-away isles seeks to turn up his nose, believing that pose the most fashionable in nasal movements. Nonsense! Let's be Americans and plain people."

The *Times* (London) discussing on February 17th a letter from its Shanghai correspondent, who suggests that the main object of the Chinese Missions to America and Europe is to obtain the abolition of extra-territoriality, sympathises with genuine efforts towards the awakening of China but deprecates any hasty concession of this description.

The *Strait Times* says in a leading article that it has heard it stated that the shore of Hongkong is strewn with the bones of European assistants, who have come out to the East under such lamentable agreements with the local firms that death in any form has been deemed preferable to an attempted extortion of \$100 or less a month. It would be interesting to Hongkong readers of the libel to learn the source of our contemporary's information.

At the Chinese Y.M.C.A. last night before a large number of members and friends, Dr. Wan Tun-mo delivered an interesting lecture on "The duty of the Chinese people in the present day." The speaker contended that they should cultivate science and art rather than the art of war. Many of his countrymen disliked the foreigner and would be pleased to cast him, but it was to their interests that he should remain, as many of the conveniences and comforts they now enjoyed were introduced by him.

We note in certain Japan papers that shipowners of Japan are forming a big combination, and they desire to secure the association of all shipowners throughout the Empire. The steamers (all of 1,000 tons and over) which are expected to form the new fleet number 132 with an aggregate tonnage of 233,747. At present the only regular lines indicated are those between Yokohama and the Philippines and between Japan and India, for both of which it is expected that a measure of Government aid will be forthcoming under the Navigation Encouragement Law.

The report of the government mining engineer in the Transvaal for the year ended June 30th last states that the salaries and wages paid in the whole mining industry amounted to £8,998,121, of which £5,690,493 were paid to whites. The increases over the previous year amounted to £2,947,738 and £896,130 respectively. Native wages absorbed £2,990,306, and Chinese wages £345,322, being an average monthly wage of 52s for Natives and 38s 6d for Chinese. The monthly cost of feeding natives was 6s 0d a head and of feeding Chinese 14s 8d a head.

The 1st Battalion Norfolk and Derby Regiment, Lieutenant-Colonel C. N. Watts commanding, a Straits contemporary states, are to move from Singapore to India on change of station. The old 45th was last in India from 1868 to 1878, including the Expedition to Magdala, and the capture of the Abyssinian capital. On the voyage home in 1878 it stopped forty-eight hours at Malta pending the result of the Berlin Conference. It went from South Africa to its present station after the close of the war in which it distinguished itself. It will be replaced at Singapore by the 2nd Battalion Royal West Kent Regiment, now at Hongkong and Weihaiwei.

The well-known firm of Denny, Mott and Dickson, timber merchants, of London, Bangkok, Rangoon, etc., was formed into a private company in 1900 for family reasons, and it is now proposed to convert this company into one of a more public character. Accordingly a company entitled Denny, Mott, and Dickson (Limited) has been created, with a share capital of £300,000, divided into shares of £10 each. Of these 20,000 are in Preferred Ordinary shares and 10,000 in Ordinary shares. There is no Debenture debt. The whole of the Ordinary capital will be issued to the vendors in part payment of the purchase money, whilst virtually the whole of the Preferred Ordinary shares are offered for subscription at par. These shares have the right to a preferential dividend of 7 per cent, and after payment of a dividend at the same rate on the Ordinary shares to half of any further amount which it may be determined to distribute. In its business as timber merchants the firm has established important connections with the Admiralty, the War Office, most of the large railway companies, rolling-stock manufacturers, as well as foreign Governments and many Continental houses. The business has been extended to the shipment of general merchandise to the East, especially to Siam, whence large quantities of teak timber are obtained.

It has been decided to hold a gymkhana in April.

Even the policeman is not free in Japan from the attentions of the pickpocket. It is reported that at Osaka, a member of the force, in uniform, was robbed by a pickpocket. Naturally he (the policeman) was surprised and indignant when he discovered his loss, which included a silver watch and fifteen yen, but the daring of the thief cost him his liberty. He was seized by a detective who happened to be near.

The *Kohische Zeitung* learns from Japan that the Japanese Government intends to establish shortly two foreign naval stations, one of which is to be in the Mediterranean and the other on the west coast of America. The journal referred to considers that Admiral Togo's projected visit to England is to be regarded as being preliminary to this project being carried out, especially as the Admiral will go to the United States from England, and finally sail home by way of the Straits of Magellan. We reproduce the report for what it may be worth, but are inclined to think it worth very little credence.

A Native Consultative Committee has been formed at Shanghai. It is composed of seven persons elected by the committees of the various guilds. Mr. J. O. P. Bland, secretary of the Municipal Council, in acknowledging the letter sent to the Council notifying the election wrote:—"I am to state that the Council welcomes this organisation of so representative a body intended to express the opinions of the Chinese community of this Settlement, and has no doubt that the influence of the Guilds, thus represented, will be exercised in the best interests of the Settlement. In preventing misunderstandings of native public opinion on questions of general interest, and in expressing for the information of the Council the views of the Chinese community, your Consultative Committee will be doing excellent work, and may confidently rely on the Council's sympathetic consideration for its representations."

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

The Maxim gun competition which took place at Taikoo last Saturday has resulted in Left Half No. 2 Company winning the Gascoyne Cup from Right Half No. 3 by four points. The positions of each are herewith indicated:—  
Left Half No. 2 Company (Field dress and drill, 32; time, 21; strength, 32; accuracy, 122; total 197).  
Right Half, No. 2 Company (Field dress and drill, 31; time, 29; strength, 33; accuracy, 100; total 193).  
Left Half No. 1 Company (Field dress and drill, 26; time, 18; strength, 40; accuracy, 88; total 172).  
Right Half, No. 1 Company (Field dress and drill, 26; time, 9; strength, 13; accuracy, 83; total 125).

## FATAL TRAM ACCIDENT.

At the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon before Mr. F. A. Hazeland and Messrs. C. J. Cooke, S. A. Nevills and E. J. da Silva Loureiro, jurors, an inquiry was held into the circumstances connected with the death of Cheung Li, who was killed by a tramcar in Connaught Road West on the 21st ultimo.

The motorman of car No. 12 stated that he was travelling at the time from east to west. When near the *Kwong Tung* steamer's wharf a Chinaman, carrying a bundle, passed in front of the car. On seeing the Chinaman crossing he rang his gong and applied his electric brake, but the man was knocked down. The front of the car struck deceased on his right shoulder and he was thrown to one side, the guard lacerating his leg.

H. Coombs, Sanitary Inspector, said he was on the verandah of a house in Connaught Road at the time of the accident. The violent ringing of a tram bell attracted his attention, and he looked down in time to see deceased knocked down. He was never under the car. After hearing further evidence, the jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

## POLICE COURT.

Thursday, March 1st.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A HEAVY FINE.  
For having 29 rifles in his possession without permission from the Captain Superintendent of Police, the master of a junk was fined \$250.

STEALING A SAFE.  
A coolie named Wong San was charged with stealing a metal safe from Mr. G. P. Lammer's sales rooms in Duddell Street. After hearing the evidence, his Worship held the offence proved, and sentenced defendant to three weeks' imprisonment with hard labour and six hours' exposure in the stocks.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

A BIRD FANCIER.  
The master of the steam-launch *Mauchie* charged a small boy with the larceny of two ducks and twelve pigeons from his launch. The defendant was found guilty, and was sentenced to receive twelve strokes of the birch.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The M.M. str. *Tonkin*, with the next French mail, will leave Saigon on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 9 a.m., for this port.  
The P. & O. str. *Maagon* left Singapore for this port on the 28th ult., at 8 a.m.  
The G.N. Line str. *Minatoka* left Kobe for this port on the 28th ult., at 10 p.m., and is expected to arrive here on the 9th inst.  
The str. *Seminole* left Singapore on Tuesday, the 27th ult., and is due here on or about Monday, the 5th inst.  
The N.G.L. str. *Ischia* left Singapore for this port yesterday, and may be expected here on or about the 7th inst.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

## BRITISH NAVAL ESTIMATES.

LONDON, March 1st.

The British Naval Estimates are £31,869,000, showing a decrease of £1,520,000, and provide for the construction of four battleships, no cruisers, 17 destroyers, and 12 submarines.

## THE MASSACRE OF MISSIONARIES.

SHANGHAI, February 28th.

The Nanchang magistrate, who was at first reported to be dead, is alive, but his wounds are still dangerous.

The population is fleeing from the town, dreading the arrival of the foreign gunboats.

Many arrests have been made. The officials are urging the Viceroy to come personally to deal with the situation.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR.

LONDON, February 27th.

Viscount Hynshi yesterday presented his credentials; he drove to the palace with his suite in the Royal carriage, and was received with the greatest ceremony.

## THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

LONDON, February 27th.

M. Revoil has handed Herr von Radowitz a note in which he declines that France considers her proposals in no wise assail commercial economic equality, and opines that the matter should be discussed by the conference.

## THE ADDRESS TO THE THRONE.

LONDON, February 27th.

The House of Commons has adopted the address without a division.

## THE TRANSVAAL GOVERNMENT.

LONDON, February 27th.

Lord Milner has warned the Government against an immediate granting of a responsible Government in South Africa, especially to the Orange State, in view of the Boer irreconcilability.

## THE CHINESE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, February 27th.

Lord Elgin has repudiated the word "slavery" in connection with the Chinese labourers in the Transvaal. In regard to the new constitution, he says that the Government has followed the principles which have resulted in a prosperous and loyal Canada.

## THE CITY ELECTION.

LONDON, February 27th.

Mr. Balfour has been returned for the City by 15,474 votes, against 4,134 polled by Mr. Gibson Bowles.

## THE U.S. ARMY AND NAVY.

LONDON, February 27th.

With a view to emphasizing the necessity of keeping the Army and Navy up to the highest pitch of efficiency in peace time in order to be prepared for war, President Roosevelt addressed a letter to the Secretary for War who issued it as a general order letter, reciting the achievements of Admiral Togo, and repeating for the benefit of the American forces, Admiral Togo's address at the conclusion of the war.

## THE THEATRE.

The theatre was crowded to its full capacity last night when the Baudmann Opera Company gave a capital performance of *The Earl and the Girl*. The piece was acted throughout with the greatest success, and the house was delighted. Nearly every song, chorus and dance was re-demanded, and it can certainly be said that the Company fully justified the high expectations of the audience. Brief as our notice of the performance must be, the admirable acting of Mr. Harry Cole as the dog trainer who impersonated the Earl must be specially mentioned. Mr. Ernest Atwell had the rôle of Dick Wargrave, the real heir, and Miss Georgie Corlas that of Elphen Hayes, the American heiress.



## SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, March 1st.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE.)

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

A COMPLICATED CLAIM.  
Ng Hing-lai sued the Yuen Sing firm for the equivalent in Hongkong currency of Tls. 5,166,792. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. F. B. Deacon (of Messrs. Deacon, Lockyer and Deacon), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. R. Harding (of Messrs. Evers, Harston and Harding), represented the defendants.

The statement of claim set forth that plaintiff was a merchant carrying on business at Swatow under the style of the Tung Chung firm and claimed from the defendant firm the sum of Tls. 5,166,792, as per account between them. In reply the defendant firm denied that plaintiff carried on business under the style of the Tung Chung firm. The plaintiff, whose surname in the Cantonese dialect was pronounced Wong, was the younger son of Wong Him-un, deceased, otherwise known as Ping Koo, who up to the time of his death in 1899 carried on business under the style of the Tung Chung firm. Wong Him-un was a partner in the defendant firm and in 1898 lent them Tls. 10,000, of which sum various amounts had been repaid, but the balance still due amounted to Tls. 5,166,792. This amount the defendants were ready and willing to pay to the legal representative of Wong Him-un.

Mr. Pollock said that, as far as the amount was concerned both parties were in accord, but defendants denied owing the money to plaintiff. The point at issue practically was whether the defendant firm dealt with the plaintiff, or his father. The statement made in the statement of defence that Wong Him-un was otherwise known as Ping Koo was not correct, as the plaintiff used the name, not his father.

The case was adjourned.

IN PROBATE JURISDICTION.

The action Cheung Kuan-sin v. Cheung Chai-fat arising out of the probate action re Cheung Wong-shi (deceased) was concluded. Mr. H. G. Calthrop, instructed by Mr. G. Hastings (of Mr. John Hastings & Co.), appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Branton (of Messrs. Branton, Hott and Goldring), represented the defendants. Mr. Slade pointed out that order had been made for the payment of costs, which had not been complied with by the plaintiff.

Mr. Calthrop said that the costs taxed included costs prior to the date of the non-appearance of plaintiff and amounted in all to \$903 for one day's non-appearance. If the costs prior to that date were omitted it would make a difference of \$200. The order was for costs incurred by the non-appearance. On the pleadings the defendant admitted that plaintiff was the daughter of the deceased and was therefore entitled to half the estate, the only question between them being whether the defendant was the son. The defendant obtained letters of administration and the plaintiff was moving to have the administration set aside. The property was admitted by both sides to be worth \$3,200, of which \$1,600 would belong to plaintiff, whether she succeeded in the present action or not. The plaintiff could not find the money to pay the costs at present, and under the circumstances Mr. Calthrop urged that the action be allowed to go on. In any case the defendant would be certain of his costs as he (Mr. Calthrop) was willing to allow them to be made a charge on his client's share of the property.

Mr. Slade said that any objection to the costs as taxed should be made to the Registrar. With reference to the order by the Chief Justice he submitted that such an order was binding and could not be set aside without application to the Full Court. They were entitled to the costs thrown away through the negligence of the plaintiff. The property was held in the New Territory and could not readily be turned into money. The money was a considerable sum to the defendant who would be put to serious inconvenience if he did not recover it. Plaintiff could have raised the money on a mortgage if she chose.

His Lordship—You admit plaintiff is entitled to half?

Mr. Slade—Oh, yes. There must be a division.

His Lordship—Would it not be better that the property should be sold. Judgment for non-appearance will not help you. If the property is sold you will have the costs you are entitled to and the case can go on.

Mr. Slade—I am extremely unwilling to have the property sold.

Mr. Calthrop—Then why did you try to sell it?

Mr. Slade submitted that where an order had been made, both parties had appeared, and the order was unfulfilled that judgment had the effect of stopping the action; it would be a binding judgment. The defendant and his witnesses were very old men, in fact the defendant was very ill and would probably die in a few days or so, while some of the material witnesses were in almost as serious a condition. It was imperative that the defendant's evidence should be taken at once. An application was made to have the defendant's evidence taken in January but the case was set down for January 11, but on the application of plaintiff was adjourned. Since then there had been other adjournments on the application of plaintiff, who, he contended, sought to delay the trial until defendant had died. The final order having been made and not fulfilled Mr. Slade asked for judgment.

His Lordship—I am afraid I can do nothing except give judgment dismissing the action.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUNISH JUDGE).

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Re Chan Sau-shuk and Leung Wai-long ex parte the debtors.

Mr. G. H. Wakeman, official receiver, conducted this examination.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley (of Messrs. Denny and Bowley) and Mr. P. W. Goldring (of Messrs. Branton, Hott and Goldring) appeared for several creditors, while Mr. F. X. d'Almeida e Castro watched the case on behalf of the debtors. Chan Sau-shuk, sworn, said he was a partner in the Kwong Fok Lung firm of 98, Jervois Street. There were two partners in the business, which was commenced in 1871. They subscribed \$2,000 each. The business done was in piece goods, and debtor and his partner took an active part in the business. They both took part in the management until 1894, when they went to Canton owing to old age, and left the business in charge of a manager. When debtor's original partner died, Leung Wai-long, his son, succeeded him. After he went to Canton, debtor came down at the end of each year to see about the business. He paid his manager \$216 a year, and gave him a bonus when there was a profit made. The manager when there was a profit made for his own use; and was allowed to draw money for his own use; and every year he overdraw a little over \$100, his salary not being sufficient to support his family. The book produced was the one containing an account of his drawing. It showed that he had drawn over \$5,000, which was trusted as temporarily settled. Debtor did not receive a promissory note for the sum. The entry in the book was written by the former accountant, who was not authorized to make it. The statement of his affairs filed was correct, and he was possessed of no other property. He first discovered that the firm was not paying last year, when the manager visited him at Canton and asked for more money, which he was unable to supply. The manager told him the reason the business was not paying was because he bought goods at a contract price, and then the price of the said goods fell. Debtor considered the advisability of winding up the business, and told the accountant to arrange matters with a solicitor. The meeting of creditors was held on the October 30th, when the creditors would not agree to give him time to pay. After that some of the creditors saw him at Canton and told him to come here and arrange matters. He arrived in October and found five men in possession of his shop; they were placed there by creditors, and took possession of what money he had. They banked \$1,000 paid to his firm, and he believed handed the deposit note to the accountant. It was chiefly a credit business, and he did a large business with people in Yunnan. Some of the firms there had not paid him.

By Mr. Bowley—The present manager was in his firm when it started, and he was a classmate of the debtors. He had not been in the Colony for some time, but was not afraid to come back. Debtor's accountant knew more about the business than he did, as he was now only a dormant partner. His accountant called the first meeting of creditors. He did not know that at that meeting the creditors were shown the manager's promissory note for \$5,000, and the manager did not pledge his share in the Sun Lung-tai shop at Amoy to secure that promissory note. Debtor had overdrawn his interest in the firm to the extent of \$14,000 and his partner to the extent of \$3,500, while the manager had overdrawn \$5,500 and the sub-accountant \$2,000. It was the practice to give employees in a Chinese shop a "canshaw" at the end of the year. If an employee overdraw a small sum it would be allowed him as a "canshaw." Debtor, his partner and employees had overdrawn from the firm \$28,000. That was not the reason why they were unable to meet their liabilities. In February, 1904, the shop took fire, and goods to the value of more than \$10,000 were destroyed. He did not get any insurance on them. Despite the loss by fire he made his fika a "canshaw" of over \$9,000 at the end of the year; but this "canshaw" extended over several terms of years. The firm made a loss the year before last; he could not remember how much money he drew that year, but it was not a very large sum.

Mr. Bowley—Well, here's your account. You draw 1,200 taels.

On perusing the account debtor admitted this.

Continuing, debtor said that when he filed his statement of affairs he estimated his assets at \$42,300, \$1,300 only had been collected, but there were more outstanding debts. In his list of assets there was an amount of \$15,000 out of jurisdiction. The people owing this amount were not insolvent. Debtor had a \$5,000 share in the Sun Wo Tai at Amoy. During the last few years he made about \$2,000 profit out of it, but had already drawn this amount. Debtor was the master of the Tien Fuk hong at Canton, but that shop was destroyed by fire in January or February of this year. The Tien Fuk hong was now carrying on business, but debtor was not a partner. He had not a family house in Canton, having presented it to his son.

The case was adjourned.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 1st at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has fallen slightly in the North, and risen a little over the Philippines.

The area of high pressure still lies over China. Gradients are moderate to slight.

Strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; cloudy, some rain.

## CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, February 28th.

The ex-Tatui of Shanghai, Yuan Shui-fa, it is reported, is coming to Canton next month (March) to hold an investigation concerning Lai Kwai-pai's case.

## REBELLION IN KWANGSI.

The Governor of Kwangsi has telegraphed to the authorities here that secret societies have started a rebellion in the Province and that part of their forces have crossed the Kwang-Tung frontier. The Governor asks for assistance to suppress the rebellion.

## A TRANSIT PASS QUESTION.

Some time ago Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. shipped a large quantity of Chinese dyes from the interior under transit passes which were obtained from the Wuchow Customs. The Customs officials (at Canton?) seized the goods, alleging that the time stipulated in the transit passes for exporting them had expired. Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. protested and lodged a claim through H. B. M's. Consul. In the meantime the dyes had been disposed of by the authorities. The Viceroy has ordered the proceeds of the sale, 4,000 taels, to be returned to the claimants, but has informed them that no such claims will be recognized in future.

## VICEROY SHUM.

A telegram has arrived from Peking announcing that the Central Government wants Viceroy Shum to exchange posts with the Viceroy of Fukkien (who is now abroad with the Special Mission). The telegram further states that the exchange will shortly take place. On the other hand, reports are circulated that Viceroy Shum will be sent to Kwangsi to suppress the rebellion which has started again.

## THE FIRE.

The fire, already briefly reported, started about half-past three on Monday in a tea house, the Sun Koo shop, situated on the canal just below the English Shamen Bridge. There was a strong wind blowing and the fire spread very quickly to the adjoining houses. The Shamen Fire Brigade rendered assistance but had soon to protect the Shamen side, as the shutters of the godown belonging to Messrs. Shawan, Tomes and Co. caught fire. About 30 houses were gutted and the damage is said to amount to about \$50,000. The store of Yuen Hong, opposite the entrance to the bridge, was completely burnt down and owing to a change in the wind the fire stopped there. The remains of the gutted houses burnt all night, illuminating the Canal. Most of the houses are said to have been insured. Yuen Hong alone carrying, it is said, policies to the value of \$20,000. One life was lost, an old man, the owner, it is said, of the tea shop where the fire originated.

## THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF SINGAPORE.

THE HONGKONG COUNCIL AS A MODEL.

The Singapore Free Press discusses in a leader the need for strengthening the Executive Council of the Colony. The need is urged for a government "technically equipped, and instantly alert, to deal with the fiscal and commercial position of the Colony." Our contemporary says:—

As to such matters the individual and collective opinion of the Executive Council, its members would readily admit, can count for little. But what we do need, more now than ever, is an Executive Council able of itself to help in the upholding of the commercial prosperity of the Colony, now almost our sole concern, as being that most greatly imperilled. The Chamber of Commerce per se cannot help. First, because it is not a British Chamber, and second, because powerful foreign interests in that body are concerned in the promotion of other trade connections now not touching local prosperity. But what can be done to strengthen the otherwise helpless Executive Council is this. There should be introduced into that body, as in Hongkong, two unofficial members, conversant with matters of finance, commerce and shipping, in which the Colony lives and moves and has its being. One of these should be a banker and one a merchant of special knowledge of shipping, and the course of Eastern trade. On the Executive Council of Hongkong there serve Sir C. P. Clatter, Kt., C.M.G., and Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson, of Jardine, Matheson and Co., Hongkong. An Executive Council so strengthened can come before the Legislative Council with the assurance that on matters general and commercial it has not been groping in the dark. Yet here we find not infrequently half-considered measures introduced, which have had, after criticism in the Legislative Council, to be enormously modified, if not entirely withdrawn. All for the want of that experience that the Executive Council is not expected, and should not be expected, to supply. It is not generally known here, that many years ago, probably in the time of Sir William Jervois or Col. Anson, the late Mr. Thomas Shefferson was a member of the Executive Council of the Straits Settlements for about a week. There was some reason, which we cannot ascertain, why Mr. Shefferson retired so soon. But the fact remains that there has been, here, a precedent. And in Hongkong the inclusion of two unofficials in the Executive Council is the constant practice of that Government. Things are as bad as possible just now in trade. The fixed dollar has done nothing yet and the local market is as dead as it can be. If ever there was a time when we needed the aid of the best wits in the Colony in the plans for its future, it is to-day.

## THE TEA INDUSTRY.

The Indian Tea Cess Committee on the 12th ult. decided to continue for another year the existing arrangement for advertising in the United States jointly with Ceylon; also to allot a further \$5,000 to a separate fund for pushing Indian tea in America and \$2,000 for similar purpose in Belgium and Germany; also decided to the Anti-Tea Duty League. They decided also to continue the green tea bonus of six pence per pound on two million pounds, also to pay nine pence per pound bonus on thirty thousand pounds of tea, and to assist the Dehra Dun planters in sending a tea caravan to Tibet.

## HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LD.

The report for presentation to shareholders at the nineteenth ordinary annual meeting, to be held at the City Hall on Monday, 12th March, 1906, is as follows:—  
Directors' and Auditors' fees ... \$10,500.00  
Final dividend of 7 per cent. ... 139,526.50  
Transfer to depreciation and repairs account ... 50,000.00  
Transfer to Reserve Fund ... 300,000.00  
Transfer to Insurance Fund ... 10,000.00  
Write off Wharves ... 12,283.15  
Write off Railways and Rolling stock ... 8,046.83  
Write off Launches ... 6,000.00  
Write off Lighters ... 18,839.38  
Write off Machinery and Plant ... 4,900.48  
Carry forward to new account ... 20,040.95

\$580,13.39

The directors have now to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1905.

Accounts. The profit on working was \$390,753.10 as compared with \$329,740.84 in 1904, being an increase of \$61,012.26.

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, after paying interim dividend of 5 per cent. and including \$29,422.92 brought forward from last year, is \$880,130.39 which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

Business.—On 1st January, 1905, the Company's Yarn storage business, formerly conducted at Wanchai, was transferred to Kowloon. Business generally throughout the year was restricted in consequence of the financial position of the Chinese.

Capital.—Of the 10,000 new shares authorised on 22nd September, 19 4,933 were taken up.

Property.—The Company acquired K. M. L. 4.5 (having an area of 52,317 feet) for \$211,384.9, including the buildings thereon, which later it is proposed to utilize as offices.

The exchange of land with Government referred to in last report is progressing.

Wharves.—The new Ferry pier opposite Salisbury Road and the three small wharves opposite the Yarn godowns, have been completed.

Lighters.—No. 9 godown (rebuilt) was completed in June, and Nos. 30-31 (for hazardous goods) in March. Nos. 4-5 (old) are being replaced by a large double storied godown.

Fire proof walls have been built across godowns Nos. 1-2, 4-5 (new) and 20-21. New workshops and storerooms are in course of erection behind the godowns.

Railways.—Additional lines of rail have been laid and other alterations made with a view to keeping pace with the rapid working appliances with which modern vessels are now equipped.

Launches.—The Government tug "Praya" (renamed "Comorant") was purchased, and when fitted with new boiler, &c. will be a cheap and useful acquisition.

Lighters.—Six new open lighters (European style) were built during the year and twelve more are in course of construction by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

Machinery and Plant.—All the godowns are now provided with portable Fire Engines. Four steam cranes, four crab winches, one cargo elevator, and a second hand dredger with hopper barge were acquired during the year.

An electric light installation throughout the premises has been partially completed.

Directors.—Mr. E. S. Wheeler, Mr. E. A. Hewett and Mr. H. Schumacher resigned and their places were taken by Mr. G. H. Medhurst, Mr. L. S. Lewis and Mr. C. R. Lezmann respectively. Mr. L. S. Lewis later on resigned and his place was taken by Mr. E. A. Hewett.

The appointments of Messrs. Medhurst, Lewis, Hewett and Lezmann require confirmation.

Messrs. E. A. Hewett and A. J. Raymond retire in rotation, according to the Articles of Association, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gordin have audited the accounts now presented and offer themselves for re-election.

C. W. DICKSON, Chairman.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906.

BALANCE SHEET.

December 31st, 1905.

Dr. Liabilities.

To capital 40,000 fully paid up shares at \$51 ... \$2,000,000

Less 137 shares not issued ... 6,939

To reserve fund ... \$1,593,150.00

To insurance fund ... 59,910.00

To Hongkong and S'hai Banking Option ... 734,811.47

To depreciation and repairs account ... 65,160.86

To unclaimed dividends ... 2,256.50

To directors' and auditors' fees ... 10,500.00

To final dividend ... 139,526.50

To profit and loss account, balance ... 2,040.95

\$3,928,738.19

Cr. Assets.

By value of land and buildings last account ... \$2,021,640.86

By cost of land and buildings since acquired ... 211,666.99

Since expended on new buildings ... 229,049.28

\$2,462,357.13

By value of wharves at Kowloon as per last account ... 80,046.04

Since expended on new wharves ... 42,254.15

Less written off ... 19,283.15

110,000.00

By value of railways and rolling stock at Kowloon as per last account ... 60,000.00

Since expended on new rails, &c. ... 8,046.83

Less written off ... 6,046.83

8,046.83

By value of launches as per last account ... 26,000.00

Since expended on new launches ... 5,000.00

Less written off ... 31,000.00

6,000.00

By value of lighters as per last account ... 58,000.00

Since expended on new lighters ... 30,639.38

Less written off ... 118,839.38

18,839.38

By value of machinery and plant as per last account ... 50,000.00

Since expended on new machinery, &c. ... 44,900.48

Less written off ... 64,900.48

4,900.48

By value of sheep pens as per last account ... 3,000.00

Since expended on new pens ... 263,143.83

Point as per last account ... 161,307.10

By Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (unclaimed dividends) ... 5,256.50

\$3,928,738.19

## KODAKS AT HOME PRICE.

No. 3 FOLDING POCKET KODAK (23-12-64) \$35.00  
" 4 CARTRIDGE " (25-15-0) \$50.00

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- \$375 AND UPWARDS.VICTOR TALKING  
MACHINES.  
WITH TAPERING ARMS.LATEST OPERAS & SONGS.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1905. [116]

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ROOM for ONLY A FEW SEATS MORE. Apply at once to F. O. LEISER, Head Master, Chinese Y.M.C.A., 26, Des Voeux Road, Central Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. 358

## ASSOCIATION NIGHT

In the Court of Appeal (London) on Jan 24th the Master of the Rolls and Lords Justices and Lord Macnaghten delivered judgment in two appeals from the judgment of Justice Joyce in an action brought by Excellence Chang Yen-ming and the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company of China against Mr. G. A. Moreing, his firm of Be Moreing and Co., and an English Co. Engineering Mining Company, asking a certain memorandum be binding on the ants, or alternatively that a certain trust be obtained by fraudulent misrepresentation and ought to be set aside. Mr. Justice granted a declaration substantially in favour of the plaintiff's claim. The defendant company, the decision of the Court below could not be upheld, but the decision was substantially concerned the other defendants, who modified it in certain particulars, respect to His Excellency Chang's claim as a managing director, which could not be sustained. There was no right on the part of Excellence Chang, and nothing in the memorandum of February 19, 1901, to give any right that could not be conferred on him by the memorandum of association and articles of association of the defendant company. It seemed to His Lordship that the memorandum of February 19, 1901, which had for its object the formation of an English company, was incompetent with that. The company was to be a company registered under English law, but that did not cover something outside English law; the managing director must be some person under the control of the shareholders. That disposed of all insofar as the defendant company was concerned. With regard to the defendants, C. A. Moreing and his firm of Be Moreing and Co., his Lordship thought that substantially the declaration was right as against them, and therefore the plaintiffs were entitled to have their claim against those defendants enforced, but this Court proposed to modify the declaration in certain respects and the order of the learned Judge in the Court below must be modified to that extent.

The first thing you have got to do in this life is to support yourself. The second thing you have got to do in this life is to support a family. The third thing you have got to do in this life is to help other people. When you have done these things you have succeeded.

Call Flag W. J. W. KBW, Manager, Hotel Mansions, 3rd Floor, Hongkong, 8th August, 1905. 2807

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Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

**THE WING SUN & Co. of No. 54, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.**

Tailors and Outfitters, and PUN HIU TUNG, alias PUN MAN, recently of the same address, hereby give NOTICE that the said PUN HIU TUNG has this day ceased to be a PARTNER in the WING SUN and COMPANY and has no longer any connection whatever with the said Firm.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1906.

WING SUN & CO.  
PUN HIU TUNG.

## NOTICE.

Under the distinguished Patronage of His Excellency SIR MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong.

## A CONCERT

will be given in St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, on SATURDAY, the 10th March, at 9 P.M., in aid of the UNION CHURCH NEW ORGAN FUND, by the following artists:—

Mrs. D. E. Brown, Mrs. Gordon, Miss HUMPHREYS, Mrs. KROGER, Mr. CHALMERS, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. JOKI, Mr. KOENIG, Mr. LECKIE, Mr. STEWART and Mr. GIBBLE.

Tickets, \$2.00 each, may be had at Messrs. LAKE, CHAFFORD & Co. (Music Dept.) and Wm. POWELL, Ltd.; also, of Members of the Ladies' Committee of the Church, or the Undersigned.

A. MACKENZIE,

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1906. [541]

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE No. 2 of 1892,

IN THE MATTER OF THE Petition of EDWARD THOMAS POLLARD and EMIL LEO BEHRMANN, Merchants, of 25, Whitecross Street, London, England, for Letters Patent for an Invention of a "MACHINE FOR MAKING BOXES OR WRAPPERS FROM PAPER and for FILLING the same with CIGARETTES or other Articles."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition, Declaration and Specification required by the above-mentioned Ordinance have been duly filed in the office of the Colonial Secretary, and that it is the intention of the said EDWARD THOMAS POLLARD and EMIL LEO BEHRMANN, by DENNIS & BOWLEY, their Solicitors, to apply for Letters Patent for the exclusive use of the above Invention within the Colony of Hongkong, at a sitting of the Executive Council to be held on THURSDAY, the 15th day of March, 1906.

Dated the 1st day of March, 1906.

DENNIS & BOWLEY,  
Solicitors for the Applicants.

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## TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without Board. Near Ferry, Kowloon. Tennis Court attached.

Apply—  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1906. [543]

## TO LET.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

TWO ROOMS, suitable for Offices, lately occupied by Messrs. SLADE & FERRIS, Barristers at Law. Easy access through one another. Rent moderate.

Apply to—  
N. MODY & CO.,  
54 & 56, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1906. [544]

## TO LET.

THE SUMMER HOUSE, Mount Kellett, Partly furnished, immediate possession.

FURNISHED—NORMAN COTTAGE, W. Peak Road, possession from 1st May, 1906.

Apply to—  
PERCY SMITH,  
5, Queen's Road Central.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SWATOW.

**THE Company's Steamship**

"HAIMUN,"  
Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 2nd inst., at 1 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPEAUX & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [538]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "DEN OF KELLY,"  
FROM GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are hereby landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [547]

INTIMATIONS

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WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A COMPRADEORE for Mercantile Business. Cash \$10,000 and Security.

Apply—  
"BUSINESS,"  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [521]

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(NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY).

Hond Office:—AMSTERDAM.

THE BANK has opened a BRANCH OFFICE in QUEEN'S BUILDING, Chater Road, No. 5, which will be open for the transaction of Banking Business of every description.

L. ENGEL,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [525]

THE BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

MR. J. L. COTTER has as from January 1st, 1906, ceased to have any connection with the above Club.

All persons or Companies having any claims against the Club are requested to furnish in at mixed account to the Secretary, Mr. E. G. JORDAN.

By Order of the Committee,  
A. B. MOULDER,  
Chairman.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [517]

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE First PRACTICE of "THE CRUSADERS" will take place on MONDAY, the 5th March, in the CITY HALL, at 5.30 P.M. Both VOCAL & ORCHESTRAL Members are requested to attend.

H. T. D. SAYLE,  
Hon. Sec. H'kong Philharmonic Society,  
Care of The Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [503]

DANCE PROGRAMMES,  
FOR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DANCES

ALSO  
MENU CARDS.

NEWEST DESIGNS.

Specimens and Quotations forwarded on application to

THE PRINTING DEPARTMENT  
"Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 16th December, 1905. [2844]

ENTERTAINMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

LAST 4 NIGHTS.

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SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH  
MR. GEORGE EDWARDS

NIGHT (FRIDAY), 2ND MARCH,

THE BELLE OF  
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TOMORROW (SATURDAY), 3RD MARCH,  
GRAND MATINEE.

"ALADDIN,"  
at 3 P.M., at the usual prices.  
Children half-price to any part of the Hall.

SATURDAY NIGHT,  
CHARLEY'S AUNT.

Preceded by prologue of  
IL PAGLIACCI, by MR. E. ATWELL.

MONDAY, 5TH MARCH,  
SPRING CHICKEN  
FAREWELL PERFORMANCE,  
TUESDAY, 6TH MARCH,  
VERONIQUE.

Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO Co., Ltd.  
Doors Open at 8.30. Commence at 9 P.M.

Late Cars to Peak will run nightly after the performance.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [407]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,  
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),  
the 3rd March, 1906, commencing at 2.30 P.M.,  
at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,  
A QUANTITY OF  
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE.

Comprising:—  
TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, OVERMANTLES with BEVELLED MIRROR, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, TEAK SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED MIRROR, DINNER WAGGONS, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, OCCASIONAL TABLES, ICE CHEST, &c., &c.;  
DOUBLE and SINGLE WARDROBES with BEVELLED MIRRORS, TEAK BUREAU with BEVELLED MIRROR, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS, BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEPS, &c.

TERMS:—As Customary.  
On View from Friday, the 2nd March, 1906.  
Geo. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [515]

[BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE].

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES & HOUGH have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,  
On MONDAY,  
the 12th March, 1906, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their SALES ROOMS, in Ice House Street,  
IN ONE LOT  
THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES,  
registered in the Land Office as  
INLAND LOT No. 576 and FARM LOT No. 65.

These properties comprise No. 4, SEYMOUR ROAD and a house now in course of erection known as "GLENSPEKIN." The total area of the above Lots is 103,450 square feet. The total Crown Rent is \$38.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from the undersigned.

HUGHES & HOUGH,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [523]

[BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE].

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE OF  
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,  
Known as "THE METROPOLITAN HOTEL,"  
to be sold by  
PUBLIC AUCTION,  
On THURSDAY,  
the 15th day of March, 1906, at 3 P.M., at his  
SALES ROOM, by Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.

BEING all that piece or parcel of ground situate at Shanghai Road, Victoria, Hongkong, containing an Area of 207,900 square feet and known and registered in the Land Office as Inland Lot No. 1705. The said premises are held for the term of 999 years granted by a Crown Lease dated the 1st day of February, 1904, subject to the payment of the Annual Crown Rent of \$478 and to the performance of the Lessee's covenants in the said Crown Lease reserved and contained.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to  
F. X. D'ALMADA & CASTRO,  
Vendor's Solicitor,  
or to  
Mr. GEO. P. LAMBERT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1906. [529]



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Sole Agents for Kigio, Komatsu (Tagawa) and Yashirohachi Coal (Karatsu).

The Head and Branch Offices and the Agencies of the Company will receive any order for Coals produced from the above Collieries.

Coal sold in 1904 by the Company, amounted to 1,520,000 tons.

TAKASHIMA COAL  
New and additional shafts at the Takashima Colliery have been completed and this well known best and most economical steam coal in the EAST is now produced in abundance and can be supplied in any quantity.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1905. [108]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

Extra Copies of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road and Mr. AH YAU'S FERRY WHARF STALL.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903.

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Company, 27, GEORGE'S BUILDING, (Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong), on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 11.30 A.M., when the subject of the Resolution will be proposed.

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.  
That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation and issue of 50,000 NEW SHARES of \$10 Each, fully paid up to be offered at par and if not taken to be allotted to the persons constituting the Shareholders of the Company according to the Company's register of Shareholders on the 1st day of July, 1906, in the proportion of One New Share for every three Old Shares in the Company held by the respective Shareholders thereof, the amount payable for each of such New Shares to be paid on the 31st day of July, 1906, and that falling short of the said New Shares be disposed of by the General Managers in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association."

Dated the 24th day of February, 1906.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.  
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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, King's Buildings, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. [411]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
C. PEMBERTON,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. [399]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 27, GEORGE'S BUILDING, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the Resolutions set out below, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 16th day of February, 1906, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

By Order of the Board,  
JAMES WHITTALL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906.

RESOLUTIONS.

(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for, or presented to, the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half year ending 31st December, 1905, at the rate of One Pound and Fifteen Shillings together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling per Share of \$125 is payable on and after Monday, the 26th day of February, Current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [495]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 12 per cent. per Share for the Six months ending 31st December, 1905, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be payable at the premises of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after Tuesday, the 27th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, QUEEN'S BUILDING, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [564]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE CHINA &amp; MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 27, GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, 1906, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th March, to WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. [511]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, 27, GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, 14th March, 1906, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [512]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on WEDNESDAY, the 21st March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [513]

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## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The following may now be obtained at the General Post Office counter:—  
Postal Guides of 1906 ... 30 cents  
Parcels Post Tariffs ... 20 "

The Bayern, with the German mail, left Singapore on Tuesday, the 27th February, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.  
The Tonkin, with the French mail of the 3rd February, left Saigon, on Friday, the 2nd inst., at 9 a.m., and may be expected here on Monday, the 5th inst., at daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th December.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per S. Wingchui on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.  
Mails for CANTON, SAMBURI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.  
Mails for \*CANTON, NAMTAO, SANBURI, \*KONGMOON, \*KUMCHUK, \*SAMSHUI, and \*WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.  
No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

## MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO.	Siberia	Friday, 2nd, Printed Matter and Samples, 10.00 a.m. Registration, 10.00 a.m. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.) Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10.00 a.m. No late fee. Letters, 11.00 a.m.
Swatow	Hainan	Friday, 2nd, 11.15 p.m.
Macao	Hongkong	Friday, 2nd, 11.15 p.m.
Tientsin	Wang	Friday, 2nd, 11.15 p.m.
Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok	Amoy	Friday, 2nd, 5.00 p.m.
Amoy, Singapore and Penang	Petchaburi	Friday, 2nd, 5.00 p.m.
Haliphong	Holstein	Friday, 2nd, 5.00 p.m.
Holborn and Peking	Jacob Diederichsen	Friday, 2nd, 5.00 p.m.
Manila	Rubi	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 a.m.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth.	Eastern	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hongkong	Saturday, 3rd, 11.15 p.m.
Tientsin	Swatow	Saturday, 3rd, 11.15 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou	Wang	Saturday, 3rd, 11.15 p.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Waikiki	Saturday, 3rd, 11.15 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Daigai Maru	Saturday, 3rd, 5.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki and Vladivostok	Dolphin	Monday, 5th, 11.00 a.m.
Saigon and X. Oji	Kanai	Monday, 5th, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hongkong	Monday, 5th, 11.15 p.m.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Monday, 5th, 3.00 p.m.
Ningbo and Shanghai	Kaishan	Monday, 5th, 3.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Kaishan	Monday, 5th, 3.00 p.m.
Manila, Singapore, Fuzhou, Wilhelmshafen, Harbin, Matsuyama, Brest, Sydney and Melbourne	Dacia	Monday, 5th, 3.00 p.m.
Willehad	Willehad	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 a.m.
Europe, &c., India via Tutuicora.	Tourane	Tuesday, 6th, Printed Matter and Samples, 10.00 a.m. Registration, 10.00 a.m. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.) Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10.00 a.m. No late fee. Letters, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hongkong	Tuesday, 6th, 11.15 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe	Tenning	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow, Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	Changsha	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow	Kaifong	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 p.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.).	Empress of Japan	Wednesday, 7th, Printed Matter and Samples, 10.00 a.m. Registration, 10.00 a.m. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.) Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10.00 a.m. No late fee. Letters, 11.00 a.m.
Macao	Hongkong	Wednesday, 7th, 11.15 p.m.
Swatow, Penang and Calcutta	Kaishan	Wednesday, 7th, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Luang	Friday, 9th, 3.00 p.m.
Cebu and Iloilo	Sungkiang	Friday, 9th, 3.00 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro	Saturday, 10th, 10.00 a.m.

## TO-DAY.

Bandman Opera Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.  
TO-MORROW.  
Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lamont, 2.30 p.m.  
Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 2.30 p.m.

## COMMERCIAL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

ON LONDON.—	March 1st.
Telegraphic Transfer	21 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	21 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	21 1/2
Bank Bills, at 60 days' sight	21 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	21 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	21 1/2
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	263
Credit, at 4 months' sight	267
ON GERMANY.—	
On demand	214 1/2
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	51
Credit, 60 days' sight	51 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	155 1/2
Bank, on demand	155 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	155 1/2
Bank, on demand	155 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	71 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	71 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
On demand	102 1/2
ON MANILA.—	
On demand—Pescos	102 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	
On demand	123 1/2 p.m.
ON HONGKONG.—	
On demand	123 1/2 p.m.
ON HAIKONG.—	
On demand	123 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON.—	
On demand	123 1/2 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—	
On demand	61 1/2
SOYBEANS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.50
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per last	36.20
BAR SILVER, per oz.	36 1/2

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.  
The I.G.M. str. Bayern left Singapore on Tuesday, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 6 p.m.  
THE FRENCH MAIL.  
The M.M. str. Tonkin will leave Saigon on Friday, the 2nd March, at 9 a.m., for this port.  
THE AMERICAN MAIL.  
The P.M. str. Mongolia left Yokohama on the 26th Feb., and is due here about 10th March.  
THE CANADIAN MAIL.  
The C.P.R. str. Empress of Canada left Vancouver on Monday, the 13th Feb., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.  
MERCHANT STEAMERS.  
The C.N. str. Changsha, from Australian ports, left Thursday Island on the 16th Feb., and is due here to-day.

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, March 1st.

COMPANY. PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125 1/2	\$860, ex. div. London, 291.10.
National B. of China	25	\$38, buyers
A. Shuen	12a. 63	\$94
Bell's Assurance Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$8, sales
China Provident	\$10	\$8.90.
Cotton Mills—		
Yong	11a. 60	11a. 54, buyers
Hongkong	11a. 70	11a. 65, buyers
International	11a. 75	11a. 70
Laon Kung	11a. 100	11a. 90
Soyabean	11a. 500	11a. 250
Dairy Farm	\$8	\$154, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farman, B. & Co.	11a. 100	11a. 123
H. & W. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$107, sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$155, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$50	\$117
Sun & H. Wharf	11a. 100	11a. 230, sellers
Fenwick & Co. Geo.	\$25 1/2	\$24, sellers
G. Island Cement	\$10	\$304
Hongkong & C. Gas	\$10	\$175, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$104, buyers
H. H. L. Tramway	\$10	\$215, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	\$141, sellers
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$230, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$50	\$152, buyers
H. K. S. Waterboat	\$10	\$10, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$340, buyers
China Fire	\$50	\$38, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$331, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$320, sellers
North China	\$25	11a. 92 1/2
Union	\$100	\$750, buyers
Yangtze	\$50	\$175, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	\$100	\$118, sellers
Humphrey's Estate	\$10	\$11.75
Kwloon Land & B.	\$50	\$97, sellers
Shanghai Land	11a. 60	\$10
West's Building	\$50	\$53, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	11a. 250	\$430
Rauhe	11a. 10	\$34
Philippines Co.	10	\$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$215, sellers
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$30, sellers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manila	\$25	\$21, sellers
Donghai Steamship	\$50	\$40, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	\$24, sellers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	\$10	\$97, sellers
Shall Transport Co.	\$10	\$24
Do. Preference	\$10	\$24
Star Ferry	\$10	\$13
Shanghai & H. P. Co.	\$50	\$23, sellers
South China M. Post.	\$25	\$50
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$7, sellers
Do.	\$5	\$8, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$36
Powell & Co. Wm.	\$10	\$11, sales
Watson & Co. A. S.	\$10	\$13, buyers
United Asbestos	\$4	\$9, buyers
Do. Foundries	\$10	\$10

YERBON &amp; SMYTH, Brokers.

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 2nd to 8th, 1906.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

Hour	Water	Low Water
Day	Mean Time	Mean Time
Mon. 2	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Tue. 3	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Wed. 4	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Thurs. 5	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Mon. 6	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Tue. 7	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Wed. 8	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.
Thurs. 9	h. m. s. f. in.	h. m. s. f. in.

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, March 1st.

Barometer	Therm. (W. bulb)	Therm. (M. bulb)
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